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PRODUCING HYDROPHOBIC SILICA FINE
POWDER

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2007, Applicant submits herewith the following for entry in the above-identified U.S. patent application:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.